

THE DAILY BULLETIN.

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CAIRO MISSION SUNDAY SCHOOL.

THEIR BASKET PICNIC AT ALTO PASS A COMPLETE SUCCESS—SCENES AND INCIDENTS OF THE OCCASION—CROPS ALONG THE LINE OF THE NARROW-GAUGE RAILROAD.
ALTO PASS, Union County, Ill., May 5, 1878.
Editor Cairo Bulletin:

The Basket picnic given at this place today by the Christian Mission Sunday School of Cairo was a most enjoyable affair and one long to be remembered by the participants. Leaving Cairo at 9 a.m., we passed through, in regular order, the villages of Hodge's Park, Sandusky and Elco, in Alexander county, and Mill Creek, Springville and Jonesboro, in Union county, arriving safely and in good condition at our destination at 11:45. Taking possession of the grounds previously selected by the arrangements committee, we proceeded to lighten our baskets, which had become somewhat heavy in view of the fact that our long ride had given us a most delicious appetite, which we knew could be appeased by the contents of the aforesaid baskets. Spreading our napkins on the sweet clover under the purple trees, and arranging our repast thereon, we were soon engaged in "laying in a supply of provisions," after which we proceeded on "our tour of inspection."

After spending a couple of hours in viewing the magnificent scenery and examining the many wonderful objects to be seen here, we visited the house and grounds of Mr. H. C. Freeman. We were very cordially received by Mr. F. and his good lady and were escorted through one of the most beautiful flower gardens that it has ever been my pleasure to see, and after providing ourselves with several large bouquets of rare and beautiful flowers, we were invited to ascend to the observatory and take a view of the surrounding country. From this place (probably 700 feet above the level of Cairo) as far as the eye can reach, we can see the most beautiful scenery; many and large hills, almost mountains in size, draped in rich foliage of green, with here and there high rocks covered with moss and the most delicate species of ferns; and in the distance may be seen Pilot Knob, a massive pile of stone, probably the highest point in the State. You can also see from this point the towns of Anna, Jonesboro, and one or two villages, nestling among the hills. Altogether, I doubt whether there is a spot in Southern Illinois which presents so many beauties to the eye. Language fails me to properly describe the many beauties of the place, and I can only advise those who have never visited here to do so, and I can assure them that they will be "right royally" entertained by our good friends, Mr. and Mrs. Freeman, and be amply repaid for the trip.

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THE MARKET.

OUR friends should bear in mind that the prices here given are only for sales from first hands in round lots. In filling orders and for broken lots it is necessary to charge an advance upon these figures.

FLOUR.—The market is unusually quiet, and transactions since the last issue have been limited. There is nothing doing outside of the order of trade. Prices are not notably lower, though there is a disposition on the part of holders to make liberal concessions in order to consummate sales. Receipts are liberal and stock good. We note sales as follows:

100 bbls. Various Grades on orders..... 5 30
300 bbls. Various Grades on orders..... 4 00@5 00

250 bbls. Various Grades on orders..... 4 00@6 00
100 bbls. Family..... 5 35

400 bbls. Various Grades on orders..... 4 00@5 50
100 bbls. Choice Family..... 5 60

CORN.—There is an active demand for corn, and prices are firm and in some cases higher prices have been obtained, though most sales have been made on a basis of 40c for white in bulk. Receipts are light, and the supply is small. Sales noted were: 2 cars white in bulk, 40c; 1 car white in sacks, 46c; 2 cars white in sacks, 45c; 3 cars white in sacks, 46c; 2 cars yellow in bulk, 38c; 2 cars mixed in bulk, 36c.

OATS.—Receipts of oats have been light and the stock on the market is small. The demand is fair and prices are steady at quotations. We note sales of 2 cars mixed in bulk, 28c; 1 car mixed in sacks, 31c; 3 cars in bulk, 28c.

HAY.—There is no market for hay. The supply in the hands of dealers is very large. The demand is entirely from the local trade. Strictly choice Timothy cannot be quoted higher than \$10, while the average price is \$9 40@9 50. Mixed and low grade hay is overstocked and unsaleable. We quote sales of 1 car choice Timothy at \$9 50; 1 car choice mixed at \$8; 2 cars choice Timothy at \$9 50; 2 cars Red Top at \$5 50@6 00; 1 car mixed hay at \$7 25.

MEAL.—There is a fair demand for meal, though prices are unchanged. City flour and firm at \$2 15@2 20. We note sales of 100 bushels klin dried, \$1 95; 100 bbls city klin dried, \$2 05; 200 bbls City, \$2 15@2 20; 150 bbls, \$2 20; 180 do, \$2 15@2 20.

BRAIN.—The market is full of brain, while the demand is light. Prices are unchanged. Sales were: 100 sacks, \$12 50; 400 sacks, \$12, 150 sacks, \$12.

POTATOES.—There is still an abundant supply of potatoes on the market, and prices are low, weak and irregular. Sales were: 30 barrels Peachblows, 90c; 200 bushels do, in bulk, 25c; 100 bushels do, in sacks, 27c.

BUTTER.—There is very little really choice butter on the market, and a limited supply will sell readily at 18¢@20c. Medium and low grade butter is in overstocked and difficult to work off. We note sales of 12 buckets Southern Illinois, 10@12c; 122 pkgs Southern Illinois, 10@14c; 1 tub choice Northern, 18c; 2 tubs do, 18¢@20c.

EGGS.—Receipts of eggs are large, though there is an active market, and they are taken at quotations below. Sales were: 17 pkgs at 7½c; 350 dozen at 7½c.

CHICAGO ICE CREAM.

I am now prepared to furnish the above cream at my

LADIES' ICE CREAM PARLORS

having had a practical workman of that city in my employ for the past eight months who worked in the largest ice cream factory in that city. I have also re-furnished my parlors with fine marble top tables and finest chairs; in fact I have as fine a place as any in larger cities. I wait on my parlors with fine marble top tables and finest chairs; in fact I have as fine a place as any in larger cities. I wait on my parlors myself and will see that they receive prompt attention. Call and be convinced.

F. H. SAUER,

Corner Eighth street and Washington Avenue.

PERSONS wishing anything in the line of military goods, will do well to call at the establishment of Mrs. H. S. Carson & Co., as the goods are all fresh, new and of the latest importations, styles and fashions. New goods just received and will be during the season every few days. All are invited to call at the establishment, on Commercial avenue, opposite Winter's block, near Seventh street (formerly occupied as a toy store), Cairo, Illinois.

LETIE COLEMAN'S LAUNDRY.

Mrs. Lettie Coleman has reopened her laundry on Fourth street, between Washington and Commercial avenues, and takes this method of informing her old friends and patrons that she is again at their services, and solicits their patronage. She has reduced prices to suit the times.

Don't fail to call and examine Jonathan Crook's pocket knives at Hartman's crockery store.

COMMERCIAL.

CAIRO, ILLINOIS, MONDAY EVENING,
April 6, 1878.

We are in the midst of the planting season, and as a consequence business is quiet. Farmers are all busy, and as a general thing they have supplied themselves with all the supplies they will require to tide them over the busy season. This is particularly the case with Southern planters, and it is from this source that this market draws the bulk of its trade the light business being done by our merchants is easily accounted for. This condition of affairs will be changed within the next few weeks and then we may look for a more lively trade and better times.

There is nothing doing in the flour market. Business is confined to the order trade, and even that is light. There is no notable change in prices, though merchants indicate a disposition to make liberal concessions in order to consummate sales. Stocks are large and receipts liberal. There is an active market for corn and receipts do not meet the demand. Prices are firm, and in some cases higher prices have been paid. Receipts of oats are light and the supply on the market small. The demand is not large, however, and prices are not changed. There is nothing doing in hay. The demand is confined entirely to the order trade and is for choice only; choice Timothy is quoted at \$9 50, while low grade Red top has been sold as low as \$5 50.

There is a liberal demand for meal and prices are steady at quotations. Bran is in good supply and steady at \$12@12 50. There is a large overstock of potatoes on the market, and prices low, weak and irregular.

Receipts of Southern Illinois butter are large and the market is overstocked. Most of this butter is of an inferior quality and difficult to dispose of. There is no really choice butter on the market, and a limited supply would sell readily at good prices. Receipts of eggs are fair, though all that arrive find ready sale at prices quoted below. The market is well supplied with poultry and receipts continue large, while prices are unchanged and steady. The receipts of strawberries have been more liberal, and the market is now well supplied. Prices are declining. On Saturday \$3 50@4 00 was easily obtained for choice berries, while to-day \$3 per crate was the highest. The market is full of vegetables and prices are low and irregular.

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THE RIVER.

The Ohio and Mississippi rivers at this point are stationary, the gauge showing 32 feet. At Cincinnati the decline was 2 feet 5 inches; at Louisville, 4 inches, and at Nashville 7 inches. At St. Louis there was a rise of 3 inches. The weather was clear and pleasant all day. At one o'clock a brisk wind rose, which will doubtless bring rain before many hours.

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